

## THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of	)
Norbert Heske, et al.	) Group: 3736
Serial No.: 10/549,818	)
Filed: September 20, 2005	)
Title: PRESSURE GENERATING UNIT	) Examiner: J. Hoekstra

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants thank the Examiner for preparation of the Examiner's Amendment and the statement of reasons for allowance.

Applicants provide the following comments with respect to the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance to supplement the record: the connecting path in the cylinder is configured to facilitate selective connection between a first cylinder space and a second cylinder space, a vacuum is generated in the first cylinder space by retracting a piston movably positioned in the cylinder, and the vacuum is released when the piston is positioned adjacent the connecting path.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner's Amendment be entered without prejudice or disclaimer as to the subject matters undergoing amendment, and Applicants expressly reserve the right to pursue such subject matters in a continuation application.

In the event Applicants have overlooked the need for an extension of time, an additional extension of time, payment of fee, or additional payment of fee, Applicants hereby conditionally petition therefor and authorize that any charges be made to Deposit Account No. 50-5242, RONALD K. AUST, P.C.

Should any question concerning any of the foregoing arise, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (317) 894-0801.

Respectfully submitted,

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